

AGENDA
QUAD CITIES IOWA-ILLINOIS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, June 25, 2013 12:00 p.m. Noon
Third Floor Conference Room 320
Bi-State Regional Commission
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois
Mayor Bob Gallagher, Chair

1. Public Hearing on FFY2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (Notice of the public hearing was sent to the Regional Transportation Advisory Group and Regional Transit Advisory Group-Urban Interests with a fact sheet on the TIP and directions to an online copy www.bistateonline.org/ser/tra/tip.shtml for comment – see back of page. Public notices were published in the Quad City Times and Dispatch/Argus newspapers at least 14 days prior to the public hearing. Presentation on the FFY2014-2017 will be part of the public hearing.)
2. Approval of Minutes of the May 28, 2013 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting (Copies of the meeting minutes are enclosed in Committee members' packets.)
3. Consideration of FFY2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Revisions (The submitted projects for revision to the TIP are enclosed in Committee members' packets.) – Brandon Melton
4. Consideration of FFY2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (The draft TIP annual is enclosed in Committee members' agenda packets.) – Brandon Melton
5. Consideration of Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Project Selection Process (A TAP Selection Process Manual is enclosed in Committee members' agenda packets for consideration.) – Gena McCullough
6. Public Comments
7. Other Business
8. Adjournment

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cc: Transportation Technical Committee, Regional Transportation Advisory Group (Urban and Combined Interests) and Media

Please contact the receptionist at Bi-State (309) 793-6300, before **NOON Monday, June 24, 2013** to indicate your attendance. **NO LUNCHES** will be served at the meeting. A light snack will be available.

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP): General Information

WHAT IS A TIP?

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP): The document for the Quad Cities, Iowa/Illinois Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) listing transportation projects to be funded under federal transportation programs for a four-year period. To be eligible for federal transportation funding, a project must be included in the TIP.

WHAT IS THE PROCESS?

Each state, county and city in the Quad Cities MPA has the opportunity to develop and review a list of projects each year that have been programmed and/or identified to receive federal transportation dollars. Projects must be derived from the *Quad Cities 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan*. Bi-State Regional Commission compiles the list of projects by federal fiscal year for a four-year period. The document is reviewed and recommended for approval to the Transportation Policy Committee by the Transportation Technical Committee. The TIP allows projects to move forward from planning and programming to engineering and construction. The first year of the TIP identifies projects that are being readied for implementation. The process is generally initiated in March and completed by June when the document is considered for adoption by the Policy Committee. As it is approved locally, it is then incorporated or referenced in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES?

Public comment opportunities for the TIP can occur at various levels. As communities prepare their community comprehensive plans and conduct capital improvement programming, there are opportunities for citizens to comment on individual projects proposed by the respective jurisdiction.

For the region, public comment opportunities are provided in the development of the Long Range Transportation Plan, which is updated on a five-year cycle. Additionally, the Quad Cities metropolitan area receives a local share of Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds for which communities/ counties can compete based on an evaluation system rating transportation projects. Input opportunities are available during the respective project ranking process.

The following is one opportunity for public comment on the transportation planning process:

Public Hearing Quad Cities Area Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

A public hearing is set for noon on June 25, 2013 at Bi-State Regional Commission, 1504 Third Avenue, Rock Island, Illinois. Its purpose is to receive comments on the FY2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Quad Cities, IA/IL Metro Area and to satisfy the Program of Projects (POP) public participation requirements of Bettendorf Transit, Davenport CitiBus, and Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District (MetroLINK). Comments will be accepted through June 25, 2013. TIP information is available by contacting Brandon Melton at (309) 793-6300. Persons requiring special material or presentation format should contact Mr. Melton on or before June 18, 2013.

WHERE CAN I FIND A COPY OF THE TIP?

A full copy of the Transportation Improvement Program can be found at:
www.bistateonline.org/ser/tra/tip.shtml